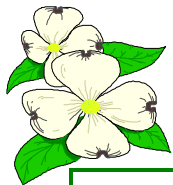




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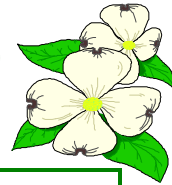
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FIFTH NATIONAL TRIBAL CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT - May 8-12, 2000 - *This conference is held every other year and provides a great opportunity for Tribal, State, Federal and private sector participants to establish partnerships, create alliances, strengthen existing relations, and share solutions to waste management issues. OSWER provides financial and technical support to the tribal co-sponsor in all aspects of conference planning, including support for Tribal travel, and coordinates with the National Indian Workgroup (Headquarters and Regions) for additional assistance. Over 700 participants attended the Fourth NTCM held May 19-21, 1998 which was co-sponsored by the Prairie Island Indian Community in Red Wing, Minnesota.*

EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) has awarded a grant to the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians to host the Fifth National Tribal Conference on Environmental Management, scheduled for May 8-12, 2000. The conference agenda is multi-media in scope and serves as a forum to present new approaches for enhancing Tribal environmental protection programs in Indian country. The Tribal co-sponsor is responsible for managing the conference and agenda development and the actual conference activities.

To see it live online at : <http://ctsi.nsn.us/> Click on the button marked Environmental Mgt. Conference on the lower left hand side of the web page or go directly to : <http://ctsi.nsn.us/Envmgmt/index.html>

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THE GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (GAP) *AIEO has national program responsibility for administering the GAP program to support development of Tribal Environmental Programs. Established in 1993, GAP funds assist Tribal Governments and Intertribal Consortia in planning, developing or establishing environmental protection programs.*

FY 2000 GUIDELINES ISSUED FOR THE INDIAN ENVIRONMENTAL GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (GAP)

The American Indian Environmental Office issued the final guidelines on the award and management of general assistance agreements for Indian Tribes. The purpose of this new document is to provide national policy guidelines and criteria to promote national consistency and appropriate use of GAP funds. The guidelines have been updated to reflect current administrative requirements, and have been re-written in a more accessible format. A copy of the new guidelines can be found at: <http://www.epa.gov/indian/gap2000.pdf>

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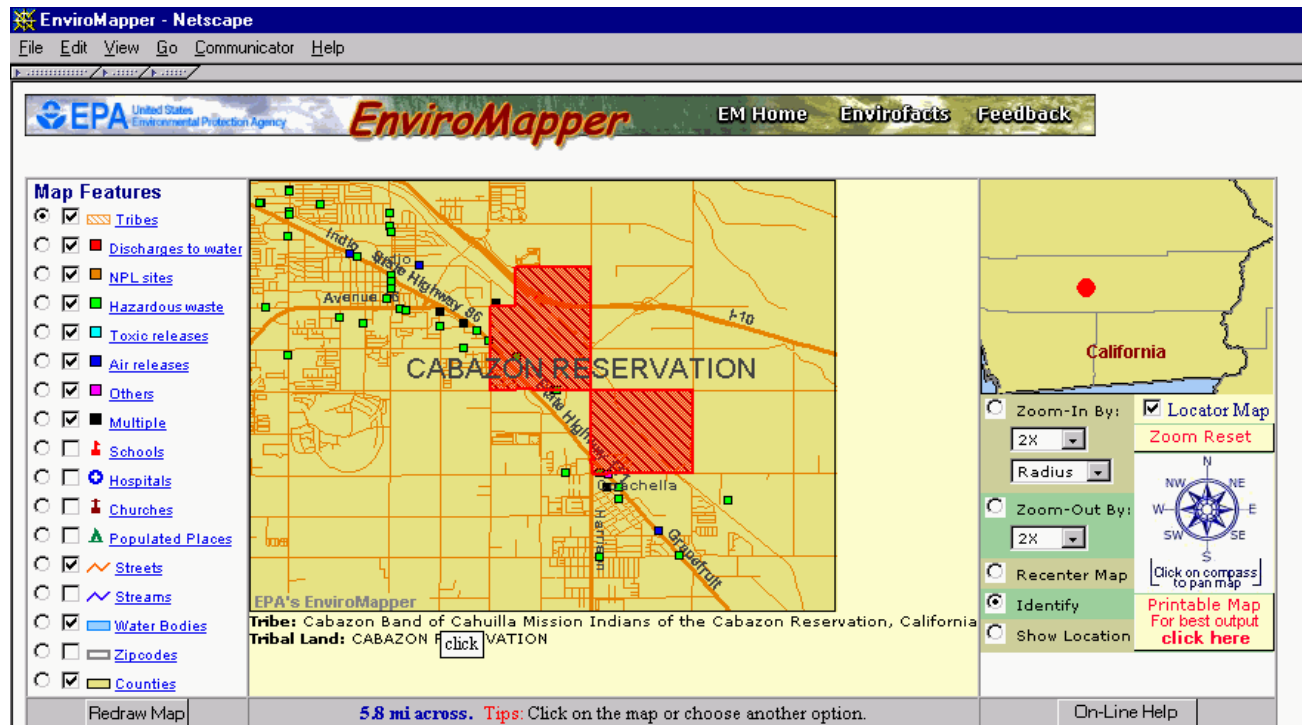
BASELINE ASSESSMENTS - A specific objective of the EPA Strategic Plan is to work with Indian Tribes to assess Indian Country for its environmental conditions. The purpose of the Baseline Assessment of Indian Country is to assemble, in an easy to use and accessible format, the environmental data identified as most important to support sound environmental planning and management, both for the Tribes and for EPA.

A Tribal GIS system is being developed as part of the Baseline Assessment project. It will aid Tribes in accessing all the data compiled by EPA in geographic format. The system is not based on any proprietary software, so there is nothing to buy. To use it, only internet access is necessary. Users will log into a secure site, accessible only to those who have authorization and a password to access the information.

The system overlays the boundary of a Tribe over the EPA "EnviroMapper" GIS tool (see diagram below). Facilities, discharge sites, and monitoring sites that fall within the Tribal boundary, or are close enough to cause a concern, can be viewed. This capability will help planning efforts for environmental management oversight programs. First, a security system will be developed and Tribes will receive training on the site's use. AIEO will seek feedback from Tribes on how to improve the system.

SEE EXAMPLE BELOW:

The graphic below shows the reservation boundaries for the Cabazon Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians, near Indio, California. Map features enabled are: NPDES permitted water discharges, superfund sites, hazardous waste sites, toxic release sites, and air release sites. Note that hazardous waste and air release sites are concentrated along the Indio Highway, which crosses reservation land. AIEO CONTACT: Ed Liu, (202) 260-9872 or liu.ed@epa.gov



You can also [zoom in by geography](#).

TRIBAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: *The Tribal Operations Committee (TOC) consists of the EPA Senior Leadership Council from EPA HQs and Regions, and the Tribal Caucus - Tribal Representatives from each of EPA's Regions. Tribal Caucus members are selected by the Tribes in each Region. This group meets on a regular basis to discuss implementation of the environmental protection programs for which EPA and the Tribes share responsibility as co-regulators. All Tribes are encouraged to communicate with members of the TOC. A list of current Tribal Caucus Members is available through AIEO, Regions and on the AIEO Web Page at: <http://www.epa.gov/indian>*

Tribal Caucus Meeting and conference call minutes from December 6, 1999 through March 14-15, 2000 are available. Some of the minutes are in draft form pending approval by the Tribal Caucus (TC). A limited number of Tribal Caucus meeting books from the March 14-15 and other previous meetings are available. CONTACT: Theresa Fleming, (202) 260-3986, fleming-blue-theresa@epa.gov.

The tentative Tribal Caucus schedule for 2000 is:

May 2000 -	Full TOC Meeting - Washington, DC - Budget Meetings
July 2000 -	Full TOC Meeting, Washington, DC - Budget Meetings
August 2000 -	TC Meeting, Washington, DC
September 2000 -	TC Meeting, Washington, DC

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TRIBAL TREATMENT AS STATE (TAS) ELIGIBILITY- *EPA published in the Federal Register in 1994 details of a simplified process by which Tribes become eligible for EPA program authorization. The process established consistency and flexibility in requirements for establishing Tribal jurisdiction and capability to run environmental protection programs on Indian lands.*

Region 5 TAS Meeting: Region 5's Chicago Office was the site for a highly productive discussion of nationally-significant TAS application issues on March 21-22, 2000. Tony Hanson from AIEO was joined by Jim Havard and Apple Chapman of OGC representing Headquarters. Staff from the Region's ORC, Tribal Office, and program Offices discussed aspects of all pending TAS applications that may potentially be nationally-significant. This meeting was held as required by the March 19, 1998 Perciasepe/Cannon Memorandum that adopted the recommendations of the TAS workgroup. As has been the case in the previous TAS meetings in Regions 6, 9, and 10, the dialogue was extremely useful for all involved, allowing HQ staff to inform the Region on HQ perspectives on some issues, while simultaneously allowing Regional staff to inform HQ of the details surrounding various types of issues faced by Tribes seeking primacy for various EPA programs. Jim Havard also conducted a Montana test training for Regional program staff during this trip.

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NEWS FROM PROGRAMS, REGIONS and PARTNERS- *News on Meetings, Publications, Training, Interagency Workgroups, etc.*

EPA's FY 2002 PLANNING PROCESS - (TENTATIVE AS OF 4/10/00)

The Deputy Administrator (DA) will meet with the ten Goal Teams in May (target dates May 8-19). A one day annual Planning Meeting will follow (target date May 31). Since the ten Goal Team meetings each will be only one hour long, discussions will be very focused. Although details still are being developed, it is anticipated the meetings will have a Question and Answer format, rather than lengthy, formal presentations.

The discussions with the DA will likely focus on areas including: lessons learned from FY 1999 progress; mid-year progress on FY 2000 annual performance goals; overall progress against long-term strategic commitments; and improving performance measurement.

OMB

Due to the pending change in Administration, OMB is proposing that agencies forgo the normal September budget submission process to OMB. Instead, agencies may be asked to submit a baseline "current services" budget sometime in the Fall. Any new policy or budget initiatives are likely to be developed after the change in administration.

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EPA'S INDIAN LAW WORKGROUP ANNUAL MEETING

Santa Fe, New Mexico was the site for the annual Indian Law Workgroup meeting April 3-5, 2000. Kathy Gorospe, Tony Hanson, and Jose Aguto attended from AIEO, and were joined by attorneys from the ORCs, DOI, and DOJ. The meeting provided an excellent opportunity to learn what types of legal issues are arising in the various regions, and how those issues can be most effectively addressed. In addition, areas were identified where collective, intensive work was needed, and assignments made. Finally, many were also able to stay and attend the 25th Annual Indian Law Conference, sponsored by the Federal Bar Association, for a review of recent developments in the larger federal Indian law arena and take the opportunity to make/renew contacts with attorneys practicing in this area. AIEO CONTACT: Tony Hanson, (202) 260-8106 or hanson.anthony@epa.gov, AGENCY CONTACT: Jim Havard, (202) 564-5544, or havard.james@epa.gov

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES'S (OIA) TRIBAL ACTIVITIES

In an effort to increase its responsiveness to Tribal concerns to international issues, OIA is exploring options for efficiently disseminating information concerning new and ongoing international environmental activities to Tribes. One approach currently under consideration is a regularly-scheduled conference call that interested Tribal representatives could join to learn of current and upcoming OIA activities and initiatives. This would allow members of the Tribal community to educate EPA as to when international activities may significantly or uniquely affect Tribal communities, thus triggering the need to consult with Tribes. This effort would augment, rather than replace, Tribal consultation on those issues already identified as potentially having a significant or unique impact on Indian Tribes.

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THE WHITE HOUSE DOMESTIC POLICY COUNCIL WORKING GROUP ON AMERICAN INDIANS AND ALASKA NATIVES

The Environmental and Natural Resources Subgroup (Subgroup) of the Domestic Policy Council Working Group on American Indians and Alaska Natives (DPC) agreed on February 29 to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to broaden and promote more effort toward interagency collaboration in addressing environmental, cultural and natural resource protection issues in Indian Country.

The MOU seeks to further the efforts from a 1991 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), the Indian Health Service (IHS), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This MOU is intended to include a broader spectrum of federal agencies working on environmental, cultural and natural resources issues in Indian Country, and to enable agencies with mutual interests and responsibilities to utilize more efficient, integrated and comprehensive approaches to protecting the environment, human health and cultural and natural resources on Indian lands.

AIEO Contact: Jose Aguto, (202) 260-6084, aguto.jose@epa.gov.

SENIOR INDIAN PROGRAM MANAGERS

The Senior Indian Program Managers (SIPM) held their Annual Meeting on March 9, 2000, at EPA's conference facilities in Waterside Mall, Washington, D.C., to discuss, among other things, the group's future strategic vision and priorities in the protection of the environment in Indian Country. Over the course of a vibrant and engaged discussion, the SIPMs identified 3 issues of priority to improve agency efforts to protect and enhance the environments of Indian country: The three issues identified are:

- 1) Improving the flexibility with which EPA implements programs in Indian country and movement towards a more holistic approach to environmental management;
- 2) Greater coordination across Federal agencies; and
- 3) Enhancing both the accountability of Tribes using EPA grant money and EPA's ability to administer these grants properly.

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OFFICE OF GROUNDWATER AND DRINKING WATER

Congress has authorized EPA to award non-point source pollution control grants to Indian Tribes under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act in an amount that exceeds 1/3 of 1% of the total 319 appropriation in FY 2000. This will enable all of the Tribes that have approved non-point source assessments and management programs and "treatment-as-a-State" ("TAS") status to receive Section 319 funding to implement those programs.

The authorizing language states: "[Notwithstanding section 518(f) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, the Administrator is authorized to use the amounts appropriated for any fiscal year under section 319 of that Act to make grants to Indian Tribes pursuant to section 319(h) and 518(e) of that Act."

The Conference Report explains that this authorization is intended to apply only to FY 2000:

"The conferees have included language which, for fiscal year 2000 only, authorizes the Administrator of the EPA to use funds appropriated under section 319 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (FWPCA) to make grants to Indian Tribes pursuant to section 319 and 518(e) of FWPCA."

This language indicates that Congress wishes to retain the opportunity to reconsider next year whether to continue the elimination of the 1/3 of 1% limitation.

As you may know, EPA's long-term goal is that the 1/3 of 1% cap on Tribal non-point source grants should be permanently eliminated. To date, EPA has already approved 32 Tribal non-point source programs, covering over 27 million acres of land (representing more than 61% of all Indian country), and we expect to approve additional programs in FY 2000. Clearly, there needs to be a permanent increase in the amount of Section 319 funds available to Tribes to help them implement approved programs that address non-point source pollution across their extensive Tribal lands.

EPA CONTACT: Ed Drabkowski ,Non-point Source Control Branch, Mail Code 4503F, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460; (202) at 202-260-7024; email: drabkowski.ed@epa.gov.

OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (OSWER)

CERCLA, FIFRA and INTERTRIBAL CONSORTIA

EPA published a Federal Register Notice that allows EPA to award grants to intertribal consortia under CERCLA, some underground storage tank programs, RCRA, and FIFRA. This FR Notice follows the approach for defining intertribal consortia in the proposed PPG rule (Part 35, Subpart B) published 7/23/99. Contact: Leslie Darman, (202) 564-5452, or darmon.leslie@epa.gov.

EPA interprets its statutory authorities to award grants to Indian tribes to include the authority to award grants to intertribal consortia under the following EPA grant programs for Indian tribes:

Superfund Cooperative Agreements [section 104(d) CERCLA];
Leaking Underground Storage Tanks - [Pub. L. 105-276, 112 Stat. 2461, 2497-98 (1998)];
Underground Storage Tank Programs [Pub. L. 105-276, 112 Stat. 2461, 2499 (1998)]
Hazardous Waste Management Programs [Pub. L. 105-276, 112 Stat. 2461, 2499 (1998)]

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: *Charlene Dunn*, (202) 260-9466, dunn.charlene@epa.gov . Outreach and Special Projects Staff, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (Mail Code 5101), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC, 20460

For information regarding applicability of this policy to the Pesticides Program Implementation grant program for Indian Tribes: (*section 23(a)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act*). Contact *Jack Neylan* , (202) 564-2385, neylan.john@epa.gov . Enforcement Planning, Targeting and Data Division, Office of Compliance, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assistance (Mail Code 2222A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC, 20460

For information regarding applicability of this policy to the Pesticides Enforcement grant program for Indian Tribes: (*section 23(a)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act*), Contact *Caren Rothstein*, (202) 260-0065, rothstein.caren@epa.gov. Office of Program Management Operations, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances (Mail Code 7101), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, DC, 20460

TRIBAL SOLID WASTE INTERAGENCY WORKGROUP UPDATE

The Tribal Solid Waste Interagency Workgroup was formed in April 1998 to provide federal assistance for Tribes to bring their waste disposal sites into compliance with the municipal solid waste landfill criteria (40 CFR Part 258). The Workgroup currently has two major efforts underway.

First, it is developing an Interagency Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to coordinate activities and set forth short- and long-term goals for assisting tribes with closing or upgrading open dumps and planning for appropriate alternative disposal. The MOU is currently out for review with comments due to EPA by May 26. MOU signators include EPA, Bureau of Indian Affairs(DOI), Indian Health Service (HHS), Department of Defense(DoD), Rural Utilities Service (USDA), and Federal Aviation Administration (DOT).

Second, Workgroup members are currently evaluating proposals for the FY 2000 Tribal Open Dump Cleanup Project. The Workgroup anticipates providing over \$2 million in funding this year to assist tribes with projects that will result in closing or upgrading high-threat open dump sites. In FY 99, the Workgroup funded 11 projects for \$1.7 million.

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OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION

TRIBAL NEW SOURCE REVIEW (NSR) RULES

EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) is developing two rules to address significant gaps in the protection of air quality in Indian country: the Minor Source NSR rule and the Major Source Nonattainment NSR rule. EPA will implement these rules where Tribes do not have comparable programs in a Tribal Implementation Plan (TIP). OAQPS is currently developing its outreach plan to include Tribes in the rulemaking process and will be presenting briefings at various meetings around the country. OAR CONTACT: Michele Dubow at 919-541-3803, or dubrow.michele@epa.gov .

NATIONAL TRIBAL AIR PROGRAM PLANNING CONFERENCE

The National Tribal Air Program Planning Conference will be held May 2- 4, 2000 at the Region 2 Conference Center in New York, NY.

The conference will address:

- Part 71 - Federal Operating Permit Program
- Indian Tribes and Non-attainment Areas
- Federal and Tribal Implementation Plans for OAQPS
- Tribal Air Monitoring Support Center and Monitoring Program
- Tribal Air Source Inventory Database
- National Tribal Environmental Organization "Tribal Air Quality Organization"

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RELEASE OF NATIONAL AIR TOXICS ASSESSMENT

The National Air Toxics Assessment (NATA) initiative has sent a out a preview of the NATA website via email on 3/30/00. This preview of the NATA website is intended to share technical information with EPA's regulatory partners at the state, local, and Tribal level. The NATA website shows the modeling data and the National Toxics Inventory website (which can be linked from the NATA website) contains emissions inventory data. Each Region was asked to share the NATA website information with its Tribes, asking for feedback on the air quality modeling results for the county/counties that make up each reservation. Are there any outliers or incorrect data? How can we present the information better? Any comments should be given directly on the website and are due by May 11th. This information is not available for the larger public yet; comments from our regulatory partners need to be incorporated first. This preview is the first step in the screening assessment. The data should be available to the public in early June 2000. Region 6 suggested that in future e-mails, OAQPS should note when comments are due, what specifically should be commented on, etc. This way the Regions do not have to create something new just to get information out. The e-mail from OAQPS can just be forwarded.

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OFFICE OF PESTICIDE PROGRAMS:

National Tribal Pesticide Program Council

OPPT (Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics) is committed to developing Tribal capacity to assess environmental health threats from toxic chemicals and PBTs that may be unique to Tribes and their members, e.g., contamination of subsistence food chains. Initially, OPPT will be soliciting proposals from Tribes who are successfully testing their subsistence foods for contaminants. Funding will be provided for these Tribes to develop case studies of what they have accomplished. The ultimate goal is to develop guidelines from these case studies for Tribes to conduct similar assessments and ultimately design their own mitigation strategies based on the unique circumstances that are affecting their subsistence lifestyles. OPPT is partnering with the Office of Pesticide Program, other program offices and the Regions, especially Region 10, in order to leverage resources to better address this critical issue. The OPPTS (Office of Prevention, Pesticides, and Toxic Substances) Tribal Newsletter's most current issue will deal exclusively with subsistence lifestyle issues and topics. Please look for this issue to be published soon. For more information on this initiative please contact Elizabeth Smith, (202) 260-4609 in the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

TRIBAL CONTACT: TPPC Chairperson Irving Provost, Oglala Lakota Nation, at (605) 867-5624 or pepip1@rapidnet.com
EPA CONTACT: Regina Langton, EPA Office of Pesticide Programs, at (703) 305-7161 or langton.regina@epa.gov.

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

WORKING EFFECTIVELY WITH TRIBES TRAINING:

The Office of the Administrator plans to hold 2 "Working Effectively with Tribal Governments" training sessions: one on May 23rd and one on July 19th-- both from 8:30-1:30 and in the EPA Waterside Mall Education Center Auditorium. For more information contact Corry Westbrook (202-260-3228) or westbrook.corry@epa.gov. OA CONTACT: Pat Gilchrist, (202) 260-9457, gilchrist.patricia@epa.gov.

AIEO NEWS

COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF EPA'S INDIAN PROGRAM AND THE AMERICAN INDIAN ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICE (AIEO).

AIEO was created 5 years ago to be a central point in EPA for a coordinated and effective Tribal program. To make sure that AIEO is still fulfilling that role and that EPA is able to meet new challenges, AIEO has been working with the Marasco Newton Group. Together, they are conducting a comprehensive review of both AIEO and EPA's Tribal Program.

The review has two major components. Internally, AIEO has been looking at its responsibilities and structure to see if they are meeting current expectations and future demands. Externally, the Marasco Newton Group has conducted over 10 focus group meetings with Tribes, EPA Regional and Headquarters Tribal staff, Senior EPA managers and key federal agencies. These meetings have identified the strengths, weaknesses of EPA's current Tribal program, and outlined some of the future issues for which EPA needs to be prepared.

A draft document outlining strategic directions will be available for review by Summer 2000. For more information call Rodges Ankrah at (202) 260-9840 or email: ankrah.rodges@epa.gov.

BIG MOVE, MORE SPACE FOR AIEO

The American Indian Environmental Office has moved to a new location, still at Waterside Mall. However, the office is now located in an adjacent building, the East Tower. The new address for visitors as well as Express Mail or Federal Express deliveries is :

**Room 913
East Tower
Waterside Mall**

The space is just one floor below the Office of Water Immediate Office. The only differences are more space and better views! Phones, fax and email service are the same.

EPA HAS A NEW MAILING ADDRESS as the Administrator moves to the Ariel Rios Building. The new EPA address is:

**USEPA
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460**

ALL MAIL CODES, including AIEO - 4104 - will remain the same. Please use mail codes for all correspondence to EPA. If they are not used, delivery may be delayed 3 or 4 days.

AIEO STAFF NEWS - A few comings and goings.....

DEPUTY OFFICE DIRECTOR

TOM WALL, after five years, has left AIEO to direct the "Intake Task Force" in the Office of Water's Office of Science and Technology. Tom and the Task Force are working under court-ordered deadlines to develop regulations that will minimize the adverse environmental impacts of cooling water intake structures employed by new and existing power plants and industries. AIEO thanks him for his herculean efforts on the behalf of Indian country and wishes him much success in his new endeavors.

BEN SMITH - AIEO welcomes Ben Smith from the Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (OGWDW) as the new acting Deputy Office Director of the American Indian Environmental Office. Ben arrives at AIEO with invaluable environmental regulatory, scientific, and engineering experience during his tenure at EPA in the Offices of Groundwater and Drinking Water, Solid Waste, Air, and Research and Development. He has had experience with Tribal Environmental Programs during his regulatory development work in OGWDW.

STAFF

TONYA FISH is in for an interesting 6 months starting in late February. She accepted a six month detail to work with the Minority Staff of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

ELIZABETH SMITH has accepted a six month detail to the Information Resources and Service Division in the Office of Pesticide Programs in EPA's Crystal City location starting the end of April until September. She will be working on budget and financial administration as a Funds Certifying Officer.

RICHARD REGAN has accepted a position in the Office of Civil Rights. Beginning April 17 he will be the American Indian Program Manager for the Office of Civil Rights. Richard's new number is (202)260-2657.

JOSE AGUTO - Jose, an Environmental Careers Organization intern, is nearing completion of a Master's Degree in Environmental Policy from Tufts University. He started in March 2000 and will be with AIEO for six months.

Jose also has a J.D. from Villanova University, and a B.A. from Brown University. Previous work experience includes legal internships with the Oglala Lakota Tribal Attorney's Office, the Lummi Indian Nation Tribal Prosecutor's Office; policy and development work with the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law; and a policy internship with EPA's Office of Cooperative Environmental Management (Office of the Administrator). Current duties include work with the Domestic Policy Council, Performance Partnership Grants workgroup, the Senior Indian Program Managers, Lead Based Paint generalized findings workgroup, liaison work with NEJAC's Indigenous People's Subcommittee and the Interagency workgroup on Environmental Justice and other duties as assigned. His phone number is (202) 260-6084.

CORRY WESTBROOK from OGWDW has come to AIEO to assume Tonya's duties..., i.e., General Assistance Program, the Tribal Environmental and Natural Resource Assistance Handbook, or Working Effectively with Tribal Governments training, and air issues.

After spending 2½ years in OGWDW, Corry started her detail/rotation position at AIEO on March 6, 2000 for six months. In OGWDW, she worked on the Contaminant Candidate List and regulatory determination team as Designated Federal Official. She worked on the Minor Revisions to the Lead and Copper Rule, on all aspects of fulfilling consultation requirements for several rules in the Standard and Risk Management Division, including regulations for Arsenic, Radon, Ground Water Rule, Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule, Radio nuclides, and others. Her Tribal consultations were with the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona and the National Tribal Environmental Council. Before working at EPA, Ms. Westbrook worked at the Environmental Health Center on Tribal issues regarding indoor air pollution. Ms. Westbrook has a BA in Environmental Studies from Florida International University in Miami, Florida and an MA in Environmental Policy from George Washington University in Washington, DC. She is also a former Peace Corps Volunteer. Her phone number is: (202) 260-3228.

AMERICAN INDIAN ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICE STAFF - WASHINGTON, DC - April 2000

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Office of Solid Waste & Emergency Response

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